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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Imagery Analysis Service

SUBJECT: Proposed Computer Program to Maintain Egyptian SAM Order of Battle

1. The Imagery Analysis Service wishes to recommend that a computer-based method be established to maintain SAM order of battle information for Egyptian SAM defenses.

2. The recent discovery of some 120 new SAM sites in Egypt on one KH mission illustrated that manual data retrieval methods are not adequate. The necessity for monitoring very large numbers of SAM sites during a cease-fire period will probably increase the requirement for automated retrieval of this information.

3. We think there is a requirement for a retrieval system for Egyptian SAM OB which has more flexibility and ease of retrieval than can now be provided by NPIC. We are aware of the HIGH TRACK program in existence at CIA Headquarters, but it too is of limited usefulness for these purposes. We believe that such a retrieval system should be based in [redacted] where it is available to support imagery analysis efforts and where it can most easily be maintained. We think IAS could contribute substantially to such a program, on the basis of the questions which are asked by other analysts, and our familiarity with the area, the intelligence requirements, and the retrieval problems involved.

4. The need for such a retrieval system exists today and we believe this need will soon become more critical.

[redacted]
IAS, Middle East Coordinator

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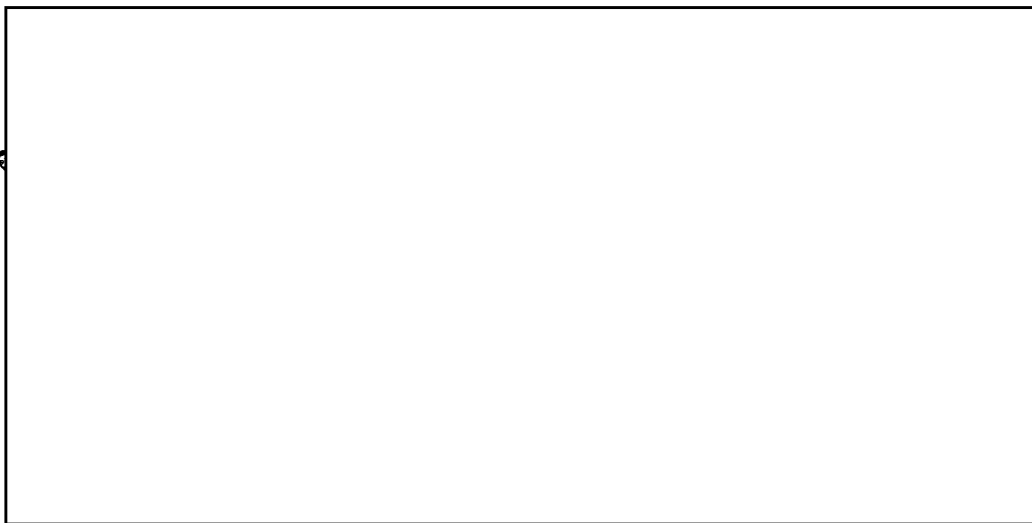
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Meeting Re Automate of Egyptian SAM Site
Data

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1. Problem

Unanticipated queries for data
concerning Egyptian SAMs
especially changes in status
route records
identification

2. Solution:

Graphics - overlays showing range & status
ADP - ITS user provide flexibility^{NA}
TBF - " " data now
New file - would require^(new status entry slot)
more effort than would - file change
- programming.

3. Conclusion

Depend on graphic system.

way to speed input of new data
to file.

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[redacted] to examine
need for unique computer numbering
system was BE #, WAC/PIC # & C.

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TG reply & [redacted] to brief
[redacted] on meeting & ~~review~~ review
requirements.

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TG agreed [redacted] call to HH
Two Night no memoranda.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] M

I've talked to: [REDACTED], NPIC/AID, and
OSR,
about their respective programs and capabilities.
Both individuals were quite helpful, but I think
the requirement is for something better than can be
obtained presently.

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